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In re application of:

Esmaeil Yousefi, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/599,042

Filed: June 21, 2000

GATED POWER FOR A SATELLITE
HOPPED DOWNLINK WITH MULTIPLE
PAYLOADS PER FRAME

Examiner: Trinh, Tan H.

Group Art Unit: 2684

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OFFICIAL**STATEMENT CONCERNING COMMON OWNERSHIP**

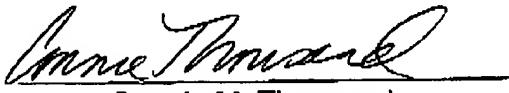
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Sir:

This statement is filed in support of a response to the Office action dated October 1, 2003.

This Application No. 09/599,042 and the application from which Patent No. 6,366,776 matured as a patent were, at the time the invention of Application No. 09/599,042 was made, both owned by TRW Inc., as evidenced by assignments recorded in the Patent and Trademark Office under Reel/Frame 011229/0472 and Reel/Frame 010290/0766. Both this application 09/599,042 and Patent No. 6,366,776 were later assigned to Northrop Grumman Corporation, as evidenced by an assignment recorded in the Patent and Trademark Office under Reel/Frame 013751/0849.

Respectfully submitted,



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